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On View from FRIDAY, the 3rd Dec., 1897.
TERMS:—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [2726

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER to Sell by
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ON
WEDNESDAY, the 8th December, 1897,
at NOON,
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Comprising:—
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TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [2737

FOR THE MAIL.

THE *HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS* will be ready to-morrow and will contain:—
Leading Articles:—
The Partition of China.
Stringency in the Money Market.
Taxation of Foreign Goods in China.
The Tea Industry in China.
Mirs Bay and the Extension of Hongkong's Boundaries.
Preparing for Hostilities.
Official Salaries.
Influence of the Gold Standard on the Singapore-Bangkok Trade.
Beautifying the Reclamation.
Supreme Court.
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.
Murderous Raid by Bandits.
The Gang Robbery and Murder in Burd Street.
Fatal Fire in Third Street.
Suicide of Mr. W. K. Wylie.
The Command of the China Station.
Death of M. Imbault Huart.
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Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [2738

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [2733

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SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [2734

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Town Depot of the Hongkong Steam Bakery has been REMOVED to No. 24, PRAYA CENTRAL, from this date.
DORABJEE NOWROJEE,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, 29th November, 1897. [2722

NOTICE.

I HEREBY beg to inform my Patrons that my Business premises on and after the 1st of DECEMBER next will be at No. 57, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, Hongkong.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
57, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 29th November, 1897. [2723

ENTERTAINMENTS

BOXING

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PRICES AS USUAL.
HARPER,
Stag Hotel.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [2728

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT
in ST. GEORGE'S HALL,
on
FRIDAY, 3rd December, 1897,
at 9.15 P.M.
PROGRAMME.
PART I.
1.—Overture to ..... "Zampa," ..... Herold
2.—Song ..... "Call me back," ..... Denza
Mrs. DONWELL.
3.—Violin Solo { "Andante," ..... Grieg
"Mazurka," ..... Wieniawski
M. GRAUD.
4.—Song .....
Mr. A. FLEET.
5.—Allegro Moderato from Symphony (No. 8) in B Minor ..... Schubert.
PART II.
1.—Fest March from ... "Tannhäuser," ... Wagner
2.—Song ..... "Light in Darkness," ..... Cowen
Mrs. DEALY.
3.—Clarionet Solo... "Scotch Fantasia," ... Lazarus
Mr. W. G. BENTLEY, A.R.C.M.
4.—Song ..... "An old Love-Dream," ... St. Quentin
Mr. A. C. VAN NIEROP.
Violin Obbligato Mr. L. R. RUCHWALDY.
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Hon. Conductor Mr. W. G. BENTLEY, A.R.C.M.
Seats may now be booked at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [2729

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL SESSION of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace will be held in the JUSTICES' ROOM, at the Magistracy, on TUESDAY, the 7th day of DECEMBER, A.D. 1897, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of considering an application from one M. STERNBERG, for the transfer of his Publican's licence to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises, situate at No. 1, JUBILEE STREET, under the sign of "The Colonial Hotel," to one J. H. DONNENBERG.
H. E. WODEHOUSE,
Police Magistrate.
Magistracy,
Hongkong, 26th November, 1897. [2720

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Hongkong, 23rd November, 1897. [2685

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 315.
CHINA SEA.
NEWCHWANG DISTRICT.
FOG SIGNALS AT LAO-TIEH-SHAN PROMONTORY LIGHTHOUSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the keepers at the above station, on hearing a bell, fog-horn, steam-whistle, or any other sound, during foggy or thick weather, which shall indicate the proximity of a vessel, will fire three guns with an interval of one minute between the first and second and the second and third, and, if the vessel's fog-signal—showing that she is under way—is still heard, will repeat the firing after an interval of fifteen minutes.
By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,
A. M. BISBEE,
Coast Inspector.
Imperial Maritime Customs,
Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 22nd November, 1897. [2725

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS are hereby cautioned against Purchasing from Messrs. BENNERTZ & Co., or from any one Claiming through or under them the CHINESE GOVERNMENT Steamer "NINGCHOW," now at anchor in the Harbour of Hongkong, or from advancing to the said Messrs BENNERTZ & Co., or any one acting on their behalf, any Money upon the said Steamer, her Apparel, or Furniture and also from Chartering the said Steamer, the Original Charter of the said Steamer to Messrs. BENNERTZ & Co. dated the 16th day of April, 1896, having been cancelled by the CHINESE GOVERNMENT.
The CHINESE GOVERNMENT will not recognise any Transfer of or Dealings with the said Steamer or any lien for Repairs or otherwise thereon effected without their knowledge and consent.
H. L. DENNYS,
Solicitor for the CHINESE GOVERNMENT,
the Owners of the s.s. *Ningchow*.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [2590

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Hongkong, 31st August, 1897. [269

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

MR. H. KAMMEL has been admitted a partner in the MEDICAL HALL.
E. NIEDHARDT.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1897. [2508

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the Special Resolution duly passed on the 11th December, 1895, and confirmed on the 28th December, 1895, and in consequence of the death of JOHN DAVID HUMPHREYS, on the 8th instant, the firm of JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON has become the General Managers of the COMPANY.
By Order,
A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1897. [2684

INTIMATIONS

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above COMPANY will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th DECEMBER, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts for the period ending the 30th September, 1897.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd December to the 8th December, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1897. [2683

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF "ORINDARY" SHARES.

THOSE Shareholders who have neglected to register an address in Hongkong with the Company and have therefore not received a copy of my Circular letter dated the 15th November, are hereby notified as follows:—
At the General Meetings of The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, hereinafter called the Old Company, held on the 27th day of October, 1897, and the 13th day of November, 1897, respectively, the following special Resolutions were duly passed and confirmed respectively—
1.—That it is desirable to reconstruct the Company, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that James Berwick Duncan, Esq., be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.
2.—That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have already been prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors of this Company.
3.—That the draft agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between this Company of the first part and its Liquidator of the second part and the new Company of the third part be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to the provisions of Section 149 of the Companies Ordinance, 1885, to enter into an agreement with such new Company when incorporated in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient.
In conformity with the above special Resolutions, The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, hereinafter called the New Company, has been incorporated under the Companies Ordinances, Hongkong, with a nominal Capital of $510,000 divided into 60,000 Ordinary Shares of $8 each and 30,000 Preference Shares of $1 each and the agreement (referred to in the third of such Resolutions) has been executed.
All holders of Ordinary Shares in The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, in liquidation, are (under the agreement) entitled to an allotment in the New Company, of the same number of shares.
In order to obtain an allotment of the Ordinary Shares, Shareholders must first pay to the New Company's Bankers, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (Hongkong) the sum of One Dollar per Ordinary Share and having obtained the Banker's receipt must fill up and sign an application letter to be obtained from me, the Liquidator, and then forward the same, together with the said receipt and the Certificates for the Shares held by them in the Old Company to the New Company at their Offices, 9, Praya Central, Hongkong, on or before the 20th day of December, 1897.
Share Certificates will be then issued by the New Company in respect of the Ordinary Shares acknowledging $5 to have been paid up, *i.e.*, $4 credited as paid and $1 paid on application.
If no application as above mentioned is received on or before the said 20th day of December, 1897, I, the Liquidator, shall endeavour to sell under the provisions of the said agreement, all Shares for which an application might have been sent in.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Liquidator of The Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 20th November, 1897. [2666

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF "PREFERENCE" SHARES.

THOSE Holders of Preference Shares who have neglected to leave an address in Hongkong with the Company and have therefore not received a copy of my Circular letter dated the 15th November, are hereby requested to apply to me at the Office of the Company for any information.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Liquidator of The Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1897. [2671

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 501 dated 22nd September, 1897, of the B shares Nos. 20941/20950 and 21096/21105 in this Company, standing in the name of Mr. Theodore Moorehead, of Foochow, has been LOST and if at the expiration of one month from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming another certificate will be issued by the Company and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1897. [2578

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 2237 dated 19th October, 1896, for 100 Shares in the above COMPANY numbered 4569/4584, 8140/8164, 10348/10357, 12991/12995, 13053/13057, 14179/14193, 5510/5534, and standing in the name of Dr. EDWARD DIVERS, F.R.S., M.D., F.I.C., F.C.S., of Tokio, having been LOST, notice is hereby given that if at the expiration of One Month from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming, another Certificate will be issued by the Company for the said Shares and thereafter no other will be recognised.
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th November, 1897. [2672

LAUDATORY NOTICE.

THE Chinese passengers per Italian bark "LOTHAIR" from Callao to this port desire to put on record the gratitude they feel to the Captain and the Officers for the great kindness shown to them during the Passage.
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Hongkong, 22nd October, 1897. [a26

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ARRIVALS.
Nov. 29, CLARA, German str., 675, Aronkiol, Hniphong 26th November and Hoihow 27th, General.—JEBSEN & Co.
Nov. 30, LYEEMOON, German str., 1,238, G. Heuermann, Shanghai 27th November, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.
Nov. 30, ESMERALDA, British str., 956, Taylor, Manila 27th November, General.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Nov. 30, GANGES, British str., 2,110, T. F. Creery, Shanghai 27th November, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Nov. 30, ESANG, British str., 1,127, R. Johns, Wuhu and Chinkiang 26th Nov., General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Nov. 30, SHANTUNG, British str., 1,535, Frampton, Java 19th Nov., Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Nov. 30, EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British str., 5,904, Geo. A. Lee, Vancouver 8th Nov., and Shanghai 28th, General.—C. P. R. Co.
Nov. 30, HAILOONG, British str., 783, Robson, Tamsui 23th Nov., and Amoy 29th, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Nov. 30, MANILA, British str., 2,711, R. L. Haddock, Yokohama 14th Nov., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Nov. 30, TAKSANG, British str., 977, P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., Newchwang and Chefoo 25th Nov., General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
30TH NOVEMBER.
Dante, German str., for Saigon.
Sabine Rickmers, German str., for Swatow.
Knivsberg, German str., for Haiphong.
Victoria, British str., for Chefoo.
Haitan, French str., for Pakhoi.
Priam, British str., for Shanghai.
Sullberg, German str., for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.
Nov. 30, TAIWAN, British str., for Nagasaki.
Nov. 30, DANTE, German str., for Saigon.
Nov. 30, HAITAN, British str., for Swatow.
Nov. 30, HIROSHIMA MARU, Jap. str., for S'pore.
Nov. 30, LYEEMOON, German str., for Canton.
Nov. 30, PRIAM, British str., for Shanghai.
Nov. 30, SABINE RICKMERS, German str., for Swatow.
Nov. 30, SULLBERG, German str., for Haiphong.
Nov. 30, VICTORIA, British str., for Tacoma.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per *Esmeralda*, from Manila, Mrs. Trudd Shitz, Mrs. E. Marcaida and children, Mrs. Maria de la Vina, Capt. T. Pastorin, S.N., Messrs. Gonzalo Agoldo, S.N., A. Bellessort, T. Loyzaga, C. H. Cundall M. Nabony, A. Grosmann, A. M. Raymond, and Master W. Cundall.
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Per *Hailoong*, from Tamsui, &c., Messrs. Johnson and Wilman.
Per *Taksang*, from Newchwang, &c., Mr. Pau Loo Yeh.
Per *Manila*, for Hongkong from Shanghai, Messrs. G. Bowock and A. Kirk, Mr. and two Misses Richardson; from Foochow, Mr. Schroder, Mr. [illegible], Messrs. Granville Sharp, Manufacturer, C. Rankin, V. Doncon, Chas. Hartshorne, F. M. Barrett, H. A. Rose, Miss Dresser, Messrs. A. Dixey, A. Lonsdale, Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Chill, Mrs. and Miss Harris, Mrs. Knapp and child, Miss E. G. Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Carson, Messrs. S. Oura, A. Pye Smith, A. W. Bain, Lieut. Rohardt, Mr. Lacy R. Johnston, Count A. Von Butler, Dr. Blackburn, Prof. H. Sharp, Rev. and Mrs. Bartrum, Mr. J. H. Fertig, Rev. and Mrs. Sharp, Miss A. C. Hartshorne, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rose, Miss A. C. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Dixey, Miss R. Dixey, Mr. and Mrs. Connolly and 2 children, Messrs. G. B. Harris, W. Harris, W. J. Russell, Miss H. Proctor, Messrs. J. B. Kerfoot, Schubert, A. Haupt, K. Yamamoto, Capt. Kolls, and Mr. H. Loomis.
DEPARTED.
Per *Haitan*, for Amoy, Misses Leckey, Ross and Woltmes; for Foochow, Mr. B. Soolinoff, Rev. and Mrs. Howe, Revs. Mackenzie, Studdat and Whish, Drs. Pakenham and Sampson; for Taiwanfoo, Miss Bernatt, Rev. Campbell, and Miss Renfrew.
Per *Vindobona*, for Singapore, Mrs. Watson and children; for Colombo, Mr. Williams.

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DEATH.

At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on the 24th November, 1897, EDWARD ROSQVIST, Yangtsze Pilot, aged 56 years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 1st, 1897.

THE report to which REUTER gives currency in his message dated the 28th November, to the effect that "Russia has acquiesced "in the German occupation of Kiaochau, "provided she has a free hand in Korea", would seem to indicate, if true, that the partition of the Celestial Empire has actually commenced. If this comes to pass the Manchu Government of China will only have themselves to their blame. After first lesson, given by Great Britain in 1841-2, they had plenty of time and numerous opportunities of learning wisdom in their treatment of Foreign Powers, but they profited so little by them that in 1859-60 it became necessary to repeat the lesson, France on this occasion taking part in the hostilities. Again the rulers of China, though humiliated, soon forgot the chastisement then received and grew arrogant because England and the other Treaty Powers treated them first with indulgence to enable them to recover from its effects, and subsequently with undue forbearance for various reasons not very creditable to Western diplomacy. China meantime acquired a small Navy and was supposed to possess an army and large armaments. Once more presuming upon a diplomatic victory over Russia, in getting that Power to retrocede Kashgaria, and a drawn game with France, whose rulers were afraid to adopt any but half measures in their quarrel with China in 1884-5, the Peking Government waxed insolent and defiant, and when Japan showed a determination to coerce Korea to carry out the conditions of the Treaty, they drifted into war with the island Empire, although, thanks to the corruption of their officials, they were wholly unprepared for it. The Japanese meantime, instead of wasting their substance as was done by LI HUNG-CHANG and his unscrupulous gang, had utilised their resources and improved their opportunities by creating a navy and to organise a disciplined army, with which they were able to give so good an account of the Chinese forces as to bring the Peking Government to their knees. It is true that the Japanese were robbed of some of the fruits of their victory by the action of certain of the Western Powers at the close of the war, but they at any rate demonstrated their immeasurable superiority to the the boastful braggarts who were responsible for this huge disaster to China. They also unconsciously performed a signal service to civilisation by pricking the great Chinese bubble, by tearing away the Dragon's scales which concealed the carcase of the silly sheep so much more emblematic of China.

It might have been supposed that even the fatuous rulers of China would have conned this last and direful lesson. But the Chinese mandarins are clearly incapable of taking any lesson to heart. Their armour of conceit is absolutely invulnerable; they are proof against all warnings and all teaching. They invariably mistake forbearance for weakness, consideration for pusillanimity, and they still cherish the illusion that they can play off one Power against the others in their dealings with Western States. They ignore the fact that their helplessness has been so thoroughly exposed to the world that it has become most risky and hazardous for them to attempt to try their old tactics with an exasperated and long enduring Foreign Minister. Nothing indeed could be so dangerous for China as to attempt to play fast and loose with a power like Germany. The recent impracticability of the Peking Government has already gone far to induce a belief among European States that China is not only uncivilized but that she is wholly past reformation. She is so vast as to be unmanageable, and the only way to deal with her at all is to negotiate with the provincial authorities direct. The latter are certainly no better than the Tsung-li Yamen either in regard to intelligence or good faith, but they are at any rate more accessible. In future, a Power which has a grievance will go to settle it with the Viceroy of the province in which it originated, and continued contumacy or treachery may, and probably will, lead to the occupation and administration of various territories for the benefit of the injured state. This must end in a break up of the Chinese Empire, and the day is, perhaps, not so very distant when the eighteen provinces and the various tributary states will be partitioned up much as barbarous Africa has recently been divided off and re-coloured on the map.

Meantime Russia has practically though not avowedly commenced the work by her virtual occupation of Manchuria. In 1860 she acquired a large section of this country without a blow, the Chinese Government being then prostrate after the successes of the allied (Anglo-French) Forces. The great Slav Empire now requires a shoreward terminus for its Trans-Siberian Railway, and has found the most suitable one by carrying the line across Manchuria to the sea. To protect the railway a guard of Cossacks will be needed, remembering Chinese treachery and the tendency to destroy works of Western origin. That guard will remain, and the railway will continue thy annex Manchuria. Probably by that time there will be no Ta-tsing Dynasty to protest against this appropriation of their patrimony. Germany has effected her first foot-hold in Shantung, and in a port which rumour once gave as a contemplated Muscovite acquisition. But Russia now, it would seem, has other views. The Korean pie is nearly ready for the oven, and so long as Russia is not disturbed in the preparation of this dish she cares little what happens in Shantung. But what about France, her puissant ally? No doubt the Republic also has its little game to play. Yunnan and Szechuen are regarded by France as her special preserves, and if she is not obstructed in her efforts to open up Western China to trade she will not bother her head about what goes on so much nearer to the Great Bear's grand Park. The consent of Great Britain may or may not have been asked, but as the action of Germany has the approval of the *Times*, it will probably be acquiesced in by Lord SALISBURY, who will certainly not be disposed to move on behalf of a broken reed like China. The publication at this time of LI HUNG-CHANG's proposal for the reform of the army and navy of China, in which he calmly suggests the selection of Mirs Bay as one of three fortified naval stations, will also probably have convinced the British Government of the absolute necessity for acquiring the Kowloon hinterland for the protection of this colony. It is not impossible that the present juncture may be regarded as a favourable one for settling this matter finally.

Our report of St. Andrew's Ball will appear to-morrow.

The P. & O. steamer *Sumatra*, from China, arrived in London on the afternoon of the 29th November.

Telegraphic communication has been established between the Islands of Luzon, Panay, Negros, and Cebu.

The barque *Craigend*, from Philadelphia, Pa., to Kobe, is now posted as missing. She left on May 2nd.

Dr. O. Stuebel, Consul-General for Germany at Shanghai, is likely to be transferred early in the coming year.

Mr. Granville Sharp, who has been spending the summer in England, returned yesterday by the *Empress of Japan*.

The newly appointed Captain-Superintendent for the Shanghai Police is reported to have left London to take up his post.

From an "express" issued yesterday we learn that Messrs Rickmers & Co. have retired from the China and Japan Shipping Conference.

Mr. Bryan, of Chicago, has been appointed Minister for the United States at Peking, to succeed the present incumbent of the post, Colonel Denby.

The steamer *Pelican*, from Tacoma, to Tientsin, with sleepers, and to call at one of the Japan ports for coal, is now considerably overdue. She left Tacoma on October 12.

The Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening:—

Overture	"Tutti in Maschera"	Pedrotti
Gavotte Moderne		Berthold Tours
Selection	"La Poupée"	Audran
Waltz	"Memories"	Caroline Lowthian
Selection	"Die Meistersinger"	Wagner
	God save the Queen.	

It is feared in Japan that the American sailing vessel *Crescent*, with 60,000 cases of kerosine oil for Kobe, must have foundered, being long overdue, having left Philadelphia in April last.

Mr. Fung Kinye, a well-known Cantonese, has, we learn from the *Mercury*, been appointed manager of the Imperial Chinese Bank at Peking. Mr. Fung was for some years comprador to Messrs. Carlowitz & Co. in Tientsin.

The disagreement between Mr. G. Toppe, sometime manager of the Hanyang Ironworks, and Sheng Taotai, in which Mr. Toppe claimed £2,200 for alleged wrongful dismissal, has been settled amicably, Sheng Taotai agreeing to pay £1,850.—*Mercury.*

The *Mercury* understands that at a meeting of the officers of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps it was decided to offer the command of the Corps to Capt. Wm. Dowdall, subject, of course, to the approval of the whole Corps and the Council. It was also decided to offer the post of paid Adjutant to Capt. C. G. Close, who was formerly a lieutenant in the Staffordshire Regiment, and who holds the honorary rank of captain in some Colonial corps.

On the 25th November, at the Shanghai Club, in the presence of a large gathering of prominent cross-country riders, Mr. F. J. Maitland was presented with a handsome silver bowl as a recognition of ten years' Mastership of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club. Mr. F. Ayscough, the new Master, made the presentation in particularly graceful terms, and the acceptation of it was marked by a sincerity which few such occasions evoke, Mr. Maitland's response being a genuinely affecting one.—*N. C. Daily News.*

When somebody of importance is killed or wounded by a falling brick from College Chambers official notice will perhaps be taken of the dangerous system adopted of pulling down a few rotten beams in the front of that building. Protecting boards have been fixed on the scaffolding, but owing either to their narrowness or the carelessness of the workmen the boards are absolutely useless, and it is a positive danger to pass the building. Is it the duty of the Police or the Public Works Department to ensure the safety of pedestrians? Action should at once be taken to guard the public from the rain of bricks and stones.

The *Mercury* of the 27th November says:—Leaving for Hongkong to-morrow is Mr. R. F. Johnson, a well-known Vancouver shipping man, who has been spending a few weeks in Shanghai endeavouring to purchase the steamers *Wooning* and *Ningchow*. He has failed to get them, although he named a very high figure. Further, he was prepared to spend some Tls. 30,000 in refitting them and putting them in suitable order for the upper Yukon Goldfields trade, running between Vancouver and Dyea. The present unsatisfactory condition of the Behnertz case has stood in the way of the transfer of the vessels, and the Dock Companies lose Tls. 30,000 which would have been expended in Shanghai.

The appended paragraph from the *Hospital*, although referring primarily to the United States, may perhaps not be entirely without local application:—That the cheap labour of the Chinese is not regarded as an altogether unmixed blessing by the inhabitants of the United States is well known, but how nasty are some of its accompaniments is perhaps not so generally recognised. Both as cooks and as laundrymen they are much employed, and we have heard many dwellers on the Pacific coast say they could not get on without them. An English laundrymaid damps the linen by sprinkling it with water. This, however, involves putting down the iron. But John Chinaman knows a better way. Filling his mouth with water, he squirts it on the linen in front of the iron, and by long practice he is able to do this with much nicety—save the mark!—blowing it out in the form of a fine spray just where it is required. Some people are found to object to this simple and easy labour-saving device, and we see it stated in the *Medical News* of New York that an inspection of the Chinese laundries has been ordered by the Health Commissioner of St. Louis, "who fears that some may mouth-spray their work with tubercle bacilli, and thus spread [illegible]"

An accident which was almost the cause of the death of one of Shanghai's well-known residents occurred at Kinkeyzan on the 25th November. The Rev. Dr. Hykes, accompanied by his wife, was escorting a lady friend on board the *Kiangfoo*. There was a gangway, composed of three or four wide planks, leading in through one of the forward cargo-ports, over which they all proceeded safely. After arranging several small details, Dr. Hykes, leaving his wife on board, was proceeding ashore with the intention of going on board the *Haeshin* to see to the transfer of some of the lady's baggage, but in the meantime the gangway had been removed. The port had not been closed or barred in any way, and the result was that the rev. gentleman stepped off the ship's side into the river. Heavily clothed as he was he had great difficulty in keeping himself afloat, but managed to swim to the pontoon, which, however, had no life-lines or chains, and the guard was out of reach. Fortunately there were a number of Chinese on the pontoon, who obtained boat-hooks from the cargo-boats in the vicinity, one of which Dr. Hykes managed to grasp, and so kept himself afloat until, there being no sampans at hand, a cargo-boat was hauled in between the ship and the pontoon, and with some little difficulty he was dragged on board, being then almost in the last stage of exhaustion. He was at once conveyed home and medical aid summoned, but we are glad to say that beyond the nervous shock inseparable from such an occurrence the rev. gentleman was found to be very little the worse for his involuntary immersion.—*N. C. Daily News.*

The steamer *Taiwan*, built by Messrs. Joseph L. Thompson and Sons (Limited), of Sunderland, to the order of the Osaka Shosen Kabushiki Kaisha for their Formosa trade has had her official trial trip. The ship was run north on the Hartley measured mile course, and afterwards on the long run from Tynemouth Lighthouse to Hartlepool, the result of the trial being that the vessel attained a speed of over 10½ knots. The vessel has been built on the spar deck rules to Lloyd's highest class under their special survey, and has a poop, long bridge, and top-gallant forecastle. The principal dimensions of the vessel are:—Length, 330 ft.; breadth, extreme, 43 ft.; depth moulded, 28 ft. 3 in.; the dead weight capacity is about 3,300 tons on about 23 ft. draught with Lloyds' summer freeboard, and the tonnages are, gross, 3,192; net, 1,540. The vessel is sub-divided with water-tight bulkheads, and is built on the cellular double-bottom principle, arranged for water ballast, which is also fitted in the fore and aft peak tanks. A long bridge fore and aft is fitted for the accommodation of passengers. There is in this space room for twenty-eight first-class passengers, the cabins having two berths in each, and for forty second-class passengers; the second-class saloon is fitted at the after end of the bridge. The first-class saloon, entrance hall, social hall, and principal pantry is fitted in a large house on top of the bridge; on top of this is fitted another house with accommodation for the captain and the chart-room, and over the top of this house is fitted the flying bridge. The first-class smoke-room is fitted on top of the bridge at the after end. The engines and boilers have been constructed by Messrs. John Dickinson and Sons (Limited), of Sunderland, the cylinders being 28½in., 47½in., and 79in. in diameter by 48in. stroke, supplied with steam by four extra large boilers, built to stand 108 lb. pressure.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."]

LONDON, 28th November.

CRICKET.

Stoddart's team, playing thirteen of Queensland, scored 636 in their first innings.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN AFRICA.

Reuter's Agency at Lagos wires that the rumour of a conflict at Nikki is unfounded.

GERMANY IN CHINA.

It is reported that Russia has acquiesced in the German occupation of Kiaochau provided she has a free hand in Korea.

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Russia supported by France urges the Porte to commence the evacuation of Thessaly.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

The Austrian Cabinet has resigned. In the afternoon Dr. Baron P. Gautsch, the Minister of Instruction, was charged to form a Cabinet.

Renewed demonstrations have taken place in front of the Reichsrath. The police and Hussars charged with drawn swords and many persons were wounded. The demonstrations ceased when the resignation of the Cabinet was known.

[FROM TONKIN PAPERS.]

THE DREYFUS AFFAIR.

PARIS, 19th November.

M. Saint-Morel, Officer of Ordnance, has been punished with thirty days under arrest in consequence of a communication made by him to Henri Rochefort in regard to the Dreyfus affair.

Commandant Forgnette, director of the prison of Cherche-Midi, has been deprived of his office for indiscretions in the same matter.

PARIS, 21st November.

General Pellieux continues his enquiries. He will take the evidence of Lieut-Colonel Picquart, now in Tunis, whom Commandant Esterhazy accuses of having fabricated charges against him.

PARIS, 22nd November.

Reports concerning the Dreyfus affair continue, but there is nothing specially important to-day.

THE REBELLION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

PARIS, 19th November.

The Governor of the Philippines considers the pacification of the country will shortly be complete.

FRENCH NAVAL DISASTER.

PARIS, 20th November.

The torpedo boat No. 133, while manœuvring by night in the gulf of Algiers, was sunk by collision. The crew was saved.

THE BRIBERY SCANDAL.

THE DISMISSALS CONFIRMED.

We are informed by the Assistant Colonial Secretary that a despatch has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies approving the dismissal of Mr. Osmund, Inspectors Witchell, Stanton, Quincey, and Baker, Sergeant Holt, and Sanitary Inspector T. Hore from the Public Service.

THE FUNERAL OF MR. C. IMBAULT HUART.

At the Roman Catholic Cathedral yesterday morning a high requiem Mass was celebrated by Monseigneur Chausse, French Bishop of Canton, for the repose of the soul of Mr. C. Imbault Huart, late Consul for France at Canton. The coffin was placed on a dais in the centre of the church, and was covered with the French flag, over which were laid the Consul's uniform, sword, and hat. The columns were draped in black, and wreaths of flowers surrounded the dais. H.E. the Governor was represented by Captain Phillips, A.D.C., and there were also present the Consuls of the different nationalities, the French Vice-Consul of Canton, five officers from different corps of the garrison, a number of French officers from the *Comete*, and friends of the deceased. The mass was concluded at 11.30 and the remains were then conveyed to the Roman Catholic Cemetery. A detachment of fifty soldiers headed the procession as a guard of honour and the Band of the West Yorks was in attendance and played the funeral march. The service at the Happy Valley was officiated by the Right Rev. Bishop Piazzoli and at the conclusion three volleys were fired over the grave. The Consular flags were half-masted yesterday.

THE JAPANESE CONCESSION AT TIENTSIN.

A telegram dated at Tientsin 8 a.m., the 13th instant, states that Chargé d'Affaires had just set out on his return journey to Peking, having brought to a satisfactory conclusion his negotiations with the Viceroy for an appropriation of land to form a Japanese settlement, as stipulated by the Shimonoseki Treaty. The Viceroy seems to have acceded to the Chargé's proposals. According to the telegram, the area of the alloted space is 400,000 *tsubo*, or some 330 acres, but it appears to us that there must be some mistake about this figure. We do not think that any such space is available at Tientsin.—*Japan Mail.*

A NEW RAILWAY.

A Shaohsing, Chekiang, despatch of the 18th instant states that on the 14th November, Fu, the prefect of that city, issued a proclamation informing the people of the prefecture that Governor Liu had given power to two syndicates to collect subscriptions for the building of a railway between Ningpo and the first named city. The proclamation further explains to the people that the proposed railway will be entirely built with native capital and that this is "not a case of encroachment and seizure of land, and giving special advantages to foreigners, nor will any foreign shareholders in the company be permitted. The only foreign element in the affair will be the employment of a Western Engineer to survey the country." The proclamation winds up with calling upon the people to treat the Surveyor of the proposed Railway properly.—*N. C. Daily News.*

THE FINANCIAL POSITION AT SHANGHAI.

Messrs. Noel, Murray & Co. in their piece goods trade report dated Shanghai, 25th November, say:—

Our market is in a state of panic owing to the scarcity of specie, not only here but also at the outports, and business is almost at a standstill. Never before has such a stringency prevailed for so long a time, interest having been abnormally high for more than a month past, and just at the most critical season of the year. The market has been denuded of silver by shipments to the outports, and the inability of the Foreign Banks to buy drafts on London, which would have enabled them to import specie. This was brought about by the action of one of the Banks that had to send money to Europe, on account of the Chinese Government to pay the interest on one of the loans, electing to do so by buying up all the bills they could get hold of for months ahead at rates the other Banks could not look at. The Chamber of Commerce being appealed to by some of the leading houses to try and get the Foreign Banks to do something to alleviate the present severe pressure, addressed a letter to that body, the following being the reply received:—

"In reply to your letter of yesterday regarding the present stringency in the money market and the exorbitant rate of interest now ruling, and asking the Exchange Banks to consider if any alleviation can be advised, I have to inform you that the managers of the Exchange Banks held a meeting yesterday afternoon to discuss the matter.

"I am instructed to inform you that we carefully considered the question, but regret that we do not see our way to suggest any remedy.

"Even if action on the part of the Exchange Banks were feasible in the way of pressure on the Native Banks, it is not clear that it would be advisable, nor is it possible that it would be successful. The rate of interest must be ruled by supply and demand. We would further add that should any change be made in the direction of deliveries of goods on credit, it would be a very dangerous precedent."

They rightly attribute the present distressful state of affairs in a great measure to over trading, by both foreigners and natives alike, brought about by the facilities given by the Banks to finance operations. This must undoubtedly lead to a curtailment of the privileges enjoyed so far by importers and cause them to employ more of their own capital than hitherto necessary. Meanwhile an endeavour is being made to induce the Taotai, who is the Superintendent of Trade here, to prohibit the export of silver for a few weeks until interest assumes a more normal rate.

"The Patentees—Macniven & Cameron, Limited, [illegible]
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THE PERAK SUGAR CULTIVATION CO., LIMITED.

The twelfth annual general meeting of this Company was held last week at the offices, No. 22, Kiangse Road. Mr. W. V. Drummond (Chairman) presided, and there were present Messrs. W. D. Little, J. H. McMichael (Directors), C. J. Dudgeon (Secretary), D. W. Crawford, W. B. Jamieson, J. M. Young, E. Hoy, A. Thurburn, A. Cushny, and H. Sylva, representing in all 655 shares.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts, said—With your permission I presume we may follow the usual course of taking the report that has been circulated as having been read. You may remember that in the last report we estimated that the season would close on the 30th of September. Owing, however, to the satisfactory working of the machinery we were able to close the season on the 31st August; that made a very short season therefore of only eight months. With regard to the result of that I think you will be satisfied that under all the circumstances it has been a decidedly satisfactory one, the working account showing a profit of upwards of Tls. 20,000. Under the new management considerable economies have been effected in the management of the estate, besides a general smoothness in the working in all respects. You may, perhaps, notice that there has been no writing off for depreciation, but I would ask your attention to the fact that during the past two years Tls. 23,000 have been charged in the working account for repairs and renewals and I think that these may fairly be considered as a set-off against the absence of any writing-off for depreciation in those years. With regard to the repairs, and additions mentioned in the reports, these repairs and additions to the factory have been completed, and the manager expresses his complete satisfaction with the way in which the work has been done, and in this connection he speaks very highly of the Estate's engineer. The plant itself has not only been largely increased or improved both in power and as regards economy of working but the re-arrangement of the machinery gives far more satisfaction. The season has opened very favourably. The crop is a large one, and there is every reason to believe that it will prove to be a heavy one, but this, of course, depends to a very considerable extent upon circumstances which are always, more or less, beyond the control of the actual management. The work on the new crop began last month, and the production of sugar in October gave the highest average yield per *orlong* that has ever been known in the history of the Company. The canes now being cut also promise to give a very heavy yield. The whole of the new crop has been sold at satisfactory prices. As to the fresh water supply which you see referred to in the report, this work is one, as you well know, of extreme importance to the Company's welfare. It has been successfully prosecuted during the past year, and, as you see, the canal has been completed as far as the boundary of the estate, and it is now in course of being carried to the factory and the coolie lines. This will greatly benefit the coolies and also supply the clear water that is so much needed for the satisfactory working of the boilers and machinery. Besides this we hope that ultimately the supply of water will be developed into a general system of irrigation of the whole property, which, as you know, will be a work of inestimable value. These are the only points in reference to which I can see any remarks to make with advantage, and, therefore, if you have no special questions to ask I will proceed to put the first resolution:—"That the report and accounts, as presented, be passed."

Mr. W. D. Little seconded, and the resolution was carried *nem. con.*

Proposed by Mr. D. W. Crawford, and seconded by Mr. A. Thurburn, Mr. J. H. McMichael was re-elected a director; and upon the proposition of Mr. J. M. Young seconded by Mr. E. Hoy, Mr. G. R. Wingrove was re-elected auditor, his remuneration being fixed at Tls. 200 per annum.

The Chairman proposed, and Mr. McMichael seconded:—"That the next annual general meeting of the Company be held in the month of November, 1898."

The adoption of this resolution concluded the proceedings.

EWO COTTON SPINNING AND [illegible]

The second ordinary meeting of the Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., took place on 24th November, in the offices of the Company, Mr. E. F. Alford presiding, and there were present Messrs. J. Prentice, Alex. McLeod, C. Dowdall, C. E. Anton, Wm. Dobie, W. D. Little, A. Cushny, J. M. Young, E. R. Burder, A. K. Craddock, W. C. G. J. Morrison, Tong Kid-son, W. A. Cruickshank, John Paterson, Charles Overbeck, F. Rodewald, F. M. Gratton, James Valentine, and Colin Buchanan.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, it is only so recently that I occupied your attention at some length as regards the Cotton Mill, when we met at the extraordinary meeting, that I think I may limit my remarks on this occasion. The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, and you will see that they bear out the remarks I made as to the future working of the Mill, when I had the honour of addressing you at the previous meeting. I may, therefore, take the items in the balance-sheet seriatim. You will see under assets: property, Tls. 137,505.63. This is represented by the cost of the land, bunding, etc. Then buildings, Tls. 259,857.02; this is the cost of the buildings. It is somewhat over the estimate, I admit; but at the same time if anyone cares to take the trouble to look over them I think he will agree with me, that we have got full value for our money. Plant, Tls. 661,326.23, is the cost of plant and machinery. The remarks I have just made will fully apply to the plant and machinery. Water supply, Tls. 15,741.94, is for the reservoir, Waterworks Company's charges, etc. Then there is millstores, Tls. 1,316.40; this is for the necessary oil, packing, and smaller things for keeping the machinery and plant in order Coal, Tls. 3,865.50; this, I think, needs no explanation. Furniture Tls. 3,865.50; this is for the furniture in the office, and the bed-room and sitting room of the three European employes at the mill. Cotton, yarn, and waste in stock, Tls. 128,603.97; this relates to cotton in the godown at the date of the closing of the report. Cotton and yarn in process, Tls. 27,435.22; this represents the cotton on the dobbins on the 31st October. Yarn in stock, Tls. 104,691.64; this is practically all sold, but not delivered on account of some stringency in the money market, I believe. Unexpired fire insurance premia, Tls. 5,527.91, and rates and taxes, Tls. 602.42, need no explanation. Preliminary expenses, Tls. 3,957.78; these are such as are incurred by every Company, and I think are not excessive. These we propose to wipe out, as they do not represent any valuable asset. We have Tls. 6,553.27 in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and Tls. 2,730.70 in the hands of the compradore. On the liabilities side there is capital Tls. 1,000,000, Tls. 246,822.74, which is due to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., and that amount has been more than balanced by the cotton yarn in stock, which appears on the other side. The profit and loss account shows a balance of Tls. 41,261.64 to the Company. In the profit and loss account we have the interest, Tls. 14,453.07, as I have previously mentioned, which shows a very considerable amount, due, of course, to the fact that our capital was all paid up and has only been used as required. Transfer fees Tls. 464, is for the transfer of shares. The balance of working account is Tls. 28,696.98; that is, cotton put in and yarn taken out. On the other side of profit and loss account the consulting fees, Tls. 1,500, are not particularly excessive. Auditors, Tls. 250, I need not explain, nor Tls. 605.41 for rates and taxes. This, then, leaves a balance of Tls. 41,261.64. As regards the working account we have not published details, but if any shareholder cares to look at the books they are at his disposal. There is no mystery about this account, gentlemen, nothing we wish to conceal, but I do not think it desirable that there should be put into the papers here and elsewhere the particulars of our salaries and other matters. I repeat therefore, that if any shareholder would like to inspect the books, he can see these details for himself. (Hear, hear.) The report, to my mind, is a most satisfactory one, and, so far as I can see, is very hopeful for the future. I trust we shall continue to have reports as satisfactory as this one, or more so. If any shareholder has anything to say or any questions to ask on the report the meeting is now open to him.

In seconding the adoption of the report and accounts proposed by the Chairman Mr. Prentice remarked that there had been no formal opening and inspection of the place. The Company was one of two Companies which held their own ground.

The reports and accounts were passed.

On the proposition of Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Prentice, the dividend of Tls. 3½ per share to all shareholders on the register at date was passed.

Mr. J. D. Clark then proposed, and Mr. Cushny seconded, that Messrs. J. Prentice, A. McLeod, Ta Fong, and Tee Sang be elected to act in conjunction with the head of the firm of Jardine, Matheson & Co. as Consulting Committee.

Mr. Wingrove was re-elected auditor on the proposition of Mr. Gratton, seconded by Mr. Overbeck.

This ended the ordinary meeting.

The extraordinary meeting was then convened for the purpose of confirming the resolutions passed at the meeting of 25th ult.

The Chairman said he had very little to add to what he had said before. He wished the resolutions passed as during the cold weather the breaking of ground and other matters could be got along with better. As regarded the financial part, he would take up the list of shareholders and ask them if they wished to take one new for every two old shares held by them, some to be returnable at end of January with Tls. 10 per share. This would not be wanted until after the Chinese new year. They did not want money immediately, but on allotment Tls. 15 per share more would be called for. Mr. Taylor informed him that there are more applications for shares than they were entitled to. He hoped the same confidence would prevail all through. The debentures were not intended to be issued *en bloc* and thus upset the money market, and when wanted would not be until later to pay for expenses.

The Chairman then put the proposition that the four resolutions passed at the last extraordinary meeting and printed in the notice convening the meeting be hereby confirmed.

Mr. Prentice seconded and the resolutions were passed unanimously.

This closed the proceedings.

THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BOMBAY.

A sanitary enterprise on a vast scale is announced from Bombay. The Government has laid before the Municipality a scheme for expending 50 million rupees on bringing up the house accommodation of the city to the standards demanded by the laws of health. This sum is apart from the outlay already devoted to waterworks and drainage—an expenditure enormous in the past and still going on to an extent that will exhaust even the liberal powers of borrowing granted by law to the capital of Western India. The Government is aware of this fact, and is prepared to make special provision not only for providing the funds, but also for the conduct of the new work. As Baron Haussmann reconstructed Paris from the point of view of political control, so Lord Sandhurst proposes to reconstruct Bombay from the point of view of sanitary safety.

In replying to a deputation of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce last February, his Lordship referred to the urgent need for opening up the congested quarters of the city, for the removal of pestilential dwellings, and for the prevention of overcrowding in the future. Three-quarters of the population of the city are said to be crammed together in "chawls" or rookeries, some of them five to seven storeys in height, and run up in defiance of every principle of hygiene. Long interior passages, or rather burrows, go from end to end of these buildings on each floor, giving access to the rooms, "for the most part small and wholly unventilated," in each one of which a whole family may live or die. The passages are quite dark, except where they open out on a gully, which serves as a sewage drain. Often they have no opening at either end, and the rooms may or may not have little windows. From five hundred to a thousand persons are sometimes squeezed into one of these pestiferous rabbit-warrens—a prey to infection themselves and a standing danger to the health of the city. We condense the above description from an account published at the beginning of this month. The truth is that the population of Bombay has rapidly outgrown the accommodation existing for it, and the problem before the Government is how to provide decent house-room for nearly half a million of people living as no human beings should live.

Lord Sandhurst's plan, whatever may be its [illegible] commensurate with the evil to be dealt with. It first provides for opening out crowded localities by the construction of new streets, and for the creating of new house areas by levelling up low lying localities, and by reclaiming considerable tracts from the tidal waters. Having thus secured new space, it next provides for covering it with tenements, to be let at comparatively low rents, and for improving the old unhealthy rabbit-warren in which 75 per cent. of the population is said to be now dwelling. More space and more air are the two main objects which it keeps constantly in view; and it has the merit of providing beforehand for the displacement of poorer inhabitants which any attempt to deal with their over-crowded barracks must at once involve. Fortunately there are tracts in and immediately around Bombay which admit of being utilized for the purpose. These tracts, some of them filthy swamps within tidal limits of the sea, have long been a source of danger to the health of the city. Lord Sandhurst proposes, among other works, to convert these low-lying hot-beds of disease into well-raised areas for human habitation.

Of the 50 million rupees which the scheme is estimated to cost, rather more than one-half will be devoted to cutting new streets through congested districts of the town, somewhat less than a third to reclamations or levelling, and the remainder to erecting tenements for the poor. The figures provisionally accepted by the Bombay Government in its resolution of September 29 are as follow:—

	Rs.
New streets opening out crowded localities	27,000,000
Reclamations	12,500,000
Chawls for the poor	8,300,000
Levelling and laying out vacant lands	1,700,000
Total	Rs. 49,500,000

The expenditure of this large sum and the construction of the works might seem to fall to the Municipality of Bombay. But Lord Sandhurst, while acknowledging the good work done by that Corporation, sets forth weighty reasons which render it expedient that the present scheme should be carried out by a special machinery of its own. It may be questioned whether such a task comes within the range of duties contemplated by the Bombay Municipal Act. It cannot be questioned that its cost lies beyond the present financial resources of the Bombay Municipality, already pledged to sanitary works almost up to the extent of its borrowing powers. The plague is straining, and will continue for some time to strain, the administrative energies of the Bombay Municipality to the utmost. Lord Sandhurst believes that it would be impolitic and unfair at this juncture to lay upon it the burden of so vast an additional task demanding immediate action, and involving an amount of detailed supervision which would more than double its executive work. All this and more to the same purpose, his Excellency says in courteous words and in a conciliatory spirit:—

"The Governor in Council fully recognises the success of municipal administration in Bombay, as exemplified, for instance, by the magnificent water-supply works, which constitute an achievement of which any city might be proud; but he is of opinion that a scheme of the character now in contemplation, requiring persistent and long-sustained efforts on systematic lines, involving so many varied purposes with the prospect of an almost infinite number of questions of detail, both in management and execution, and in which, moreover, large proprietary interest of Government will be involved, is essentially one that should be intrusted to a small administrative body, with special powers to raise funds, acquire property, and execute the necessary works."

Such considerations receive additional weight from the comments of the Bombay Press on the proposal. The head of a banking firm, well acquainted with municipal affairs, thus sums up his practical view of the case. "It is well known that the landlord influence upon the Corporation is predominant, and hence it is altogether impossible for that body to carry out the scheme on broad and proper principles. This being so, some distinct corporate body, such as that now proposed by Government, is absolutely needed." Lord Sandhurst desires to create a Board of Trustees for the purpose on the general lines which have been found to work so well in the case of the Bombay Port Trust. The Municipal Corporation will be strongly represented on the Board, but care will be taken to also secure the full representation alike of the landed proprietors, of the general body of citizens, and of the Government, which will itself have a very large stake in the enterprise. The idea of such a Board is not a new one, and the City of Glasgow Improvement Trust affords an example of a body constituted for similar purposes, and most successful as to its results. One of the leading Bombay papers in discussing this precedent makes the following remarkable statement, which we reproduce without pausing to verify:—

"The City of Glasgow Improvement Trust, created some 30 years since, having expended three millions sterling, transformed Glasgow into a model city, and has been able to reduce the original demand of sixpence in the pound of the municipal assessment to one farthing in the pound, the revenue from the improvements paying nearly the whole cost of the civil administration."

The Bombay Improvement Trust will be enabled to raise its capital at the low rate of interest which a Government enterprise in India can obtain. It will also start with a large area of Government Land, transferred for the purpose of the scheme. The present value of these Government lands and of their reclamation rights is estimated at over 9½ million rupees, together with the municipal lands, valued at nearly three million rupees, making a total of 12½ millions of rupees' worth of land rendered available for the objects in view. The Government will, in fact, make over almost the whole of its landed property in Bombay to the Improvement Trust for the benefit of the citizens at a low rate of interest, calculated upon present values. During the first ten years the Government will charge nothing. "The Trust shall have the rents from the reclaimed areas for the first 20 years, and afterwards subject to a small charge on the market value, less the cost of reclamation." The capital will be raised gradually, as required. The Government estimates that the scheme will not at any time involve an addition to the municipal rates of more than 2 per cent. on the assessable value of properties, and it contains possibilities of becoming a source of financial strength in the future. The project must be primarily regarded, however, not from the point of view of contingent profits as a speculation, but with reference to immediate benefits which it will render to a great city that has outgrown its house-room. Among those benefits will be, not only more adequate accomm

ANOTHER ANTI-SILVER STEP.

Paris, 3rd November.

Five powers of the Latin Union, on the initiative of Switzerland, have signed a convention to increase the number of small silver coins by a franc per head of their population, using the existing 5-franc pieces to supply the necessary silver.

London, 4th November.

The *Morning Post* says editorially to-day:—"The decision of the Latin Union to reduce the stock of five franc pieces and marks, is another stage in the abandonment of silver. Even the French Premier seems to think the bimetallic cause hopeless."

POSSIBLY ANDREE'S BALLOON.

Boston, 4th November.

A special to the *Globe* from Halifax, N. S., says:—"A well-known and reliable citizen says he saw a huge balloon pass over this city yesterday. It was plainly visible, and he thought that it was attached to a car. It was sailing along in a westerly direction, and was constructed on a much larger scale than any balloon seen here. He believes that it was Andree's balloon."

THE ENGINEERING STRIKE.

London, 4th November.

The Amalgamated Society of Engineers has issued another manifesto, supplicating the workmen of Great Britain, Ireland and other countries to provide $75,000 weekly to defend trades unionism.

SPEECHES BY IMPERIAL MINISTERS.

London, 4th November.

There has been a flood of political speeches this evening. Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, the First Lord of the Treasury, spoke at Norwich; Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, spoke at Sheffield, and Mr. J. Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, at Glasgow. Mr. Chamberlain's speech was an elaborate defence of the general policy of the Government.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, who was the principal speaker at the Cutlers' Banquet, maintained the attitude he assumed two years ago, that England wanted reform in military matters rather than an increase in the Army, which he called the "costliest in the world." He said that if it could be shown that an increase was imperative the nation would cheerfully pay the cost, but he was by no means convinced that a mere increase of men and expenditure was all that was needed.

Mr. Balfour, at Norwich, denounced Lord Rosebery's statement on Monday night, at Manchester, that an Imperial zollverein "would weaken the Empire internally and excite the permanent hostility of the whole world." He said "it is no concern of foreign nations what we do within the Empire." He announced that the Government had no desire of aggression on the North-west frontier of India, but sought only to maintain the present frontier.

The *Times* will generally hint editorially tomorrow that three such speakers defending the policy of the Government on the same night savours of a waste of energy and it would have been better to spread it over a moderate period. The *Morning Post* will also complain of "such a waste of energy."

AN EXTRAORDINARY CASE.

London, 4th November.

There was an extraordinary case heard before the Lord Mayor's Court, to-day, when a man, named Hinde, sued the Prince of Wales to recover £60,000, alleged to have been wrongly paid him by the late Under-Sheriff Croll, who was the Liquidator of the United Kingdom Electric Telegraph Company. The plaintiff declared that the money belonged to a certain Mr. Allen, of whose estate he was the assignee, and he further claimed the sum of £150,000 from Lord Suffolk, alleging that the latter had suborned Croll to commit perjury before Lord Bramwell, at the trial in 1877, in connection with the liquidator.

Sir George Lewis, on behalf of the Prince of Wales and the Earl of Suffolk, asked that the proceedings be quashed, on the ground that the allegations were nothing more than a frivolous and vexatious issue of nonsense, and he submitted an affidavit to that effect.

The plaintiff then addressed the Court, declaring he had been told that the Prince of Wales received the money referred to, and then he proceeded to charge Lord Bramwell with defrauding Allen's widow out of £150,000 in order to obtain promotion and a peerage. The plaintiff was here stopped by the Court with the warning to speak respectfully of judges. Finally the Court stopped the case and dismissed the action.

THE SOUDAN EXPEDITION.

London, 5th November.

The *Morning Post* in a specially displayed editorial, based on the report that nothing further will be done for the present in the Soudan, denounces the Government for "its hesitancy and invertebrateness on all great occasions." It declares that "the unfortunate losses in money and blood on the Indian frontier are due to procrastination and now, when the hour is ripe to vindicate Gordon and to smash the Madhi, nothing is to be done, but a baneful hesitancy sets in, a moral influenza, which paralyses our statesmen, and is the curse of constitutional government."

THAT "BEAR" RESOLUTION.

London, 5th November.

The *Daily Chronicle*, in an editorial this morning, based upon the resolution of the New York Chamber of Commerce, urging the President and Congress of the United States to increase the sea coast defences, says:—"No doubt if the whole British navy were recalled from the ends of the earth, it might put a few shells into Brooklyn, and even into Jersey City, but it could not pass through Long Island Sound, and it never could get anywhere near Hell Gate. Great Britain, however, has something else to do than to clear the world of her ships in order to inflict a fine on New York. But when the Wall Street 'bear' wants a pretext for a scare, anything comes handy."

All the morning papers comment upon "such alarmist rumours" as a "Wall Street dodge to put prices down." None of them believe that they should be taken seriously.

LONDON NEWS.

London, 3rd November.

Mr. Thomas Quinn, who represented Kilkenny in the House of Commons from 1886 to 1892, died in London to-day.

Mr. Johnston, the principal director of Bovril, Limited, is the purchaser of the Prince of Wales' famous racing cutter, *Britannia*. He declines to state the price paid for her or to divulge his plans.

It is learned that the mammoth pontoon dock which is being built to Spain's order at Stephenson's yard on the Tyne, is destined for the Philippine Islands and not for Havana, as was at first reported. This dock is similar in size and construction to the one recently built and despatched in tow for Havana.

London, 6th November.

The phenomenally fine weather prevailing is the despair of the storekeepers, who say they cannot sell any Winter clothing. The month of October was the driest since 1884. Laburnums, primroses and wallflowers are growing, and strawberries are being gathered in the south of England.

"The Little Minister," with Mr. Cyril Maude as the Minister, and Miss Winifred Emery as the Lady Babbie, was introduced to a most enthusiastic audience at the Haymarket Theatre this evening. The piece was excellently mounted, and Mr. Brandon Thomas and Mr. Sidney Valentine, as the elders, and Mr. W. G. Elliott, as the Earl of Rintoul, did praiseworthy work. At the conclusion of the performance, calls were made for Mr. J. M. Barrie, the author, but that gentleman had retreated from the theatre, and, in his stead, Mr. Frederick Harrison, one of the managers, addressed the audience. Sir Edwin Arnold, the poet and journalist, and his bride, who was attired in a blue decollette gown, occupied front seats.

THE KLONDYKE RUSH.

Winnipeg, 6th November.

A gentleman who arrived from Vancouver, to-day, says that the agent of Messrs. Cook & Sons, the well-known tourist agents, has engaged in the aggregate 1,000 beds at the best hotels in Vancouver for their patrons *en route* for the Klondike during the month of February. The figure charged for beds, meals, and accommodation in each case was $4 per head or an aggregate of $16,000. This will give some idea of the big rush that may be expected to the Klondike early next year.

NOVEL CAUSE OF DEATH.

New York, 6th November.

Edward Macklin, 30 years of age, who lived with his mother, whom he supported, at 117 Mott street, and who at one time kept a news stand outside the Madison House, died to-day from internal injuries caused by a woman weighing 290 pounds falling on him while he was dancing with her.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Esmeralda*, from Manila 27th Nov., had strong monsoon and sea throughout.

The British steamer *Telesang*, from Newchwang and Chefoo 25th Nov., had strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea.

The German steamer *Lycemoon*, from Shanghai 27th Nov., had fine clear weather, strong N.E. wind from port to port.

The British steamer *Ewang*, from Wuhu and Chinkiang 26th Nov., had strong N.E. monsoon with fine clear weather on the coast.

The British steamer *Hailoong*, from Tamsui 28th Nov., and Amoy 29th, had strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea to Amoy.—From Amoy to port similar weather.—In Amoy—H.M.S. *Phœnix*, strs. *Nanping*, *Velox*, *Glenfalloch* and *Pakshan*.

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Per Brit. steamer *Fallodon Hall*, sailed on the 28th November. For New York:—6,840 rolls matting, 497 packages merchandise, 10 boxes chinaware, 3 packages tea and 1 package nuts.

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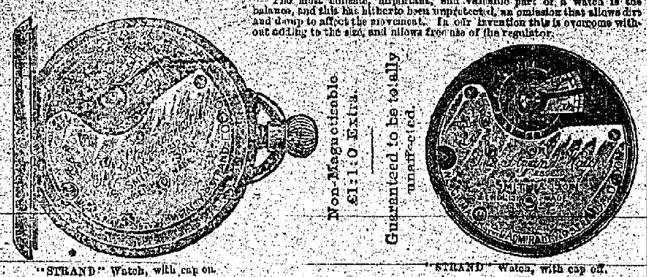

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The P. M. steamer *Peru* with the American mail, left Yokohama on Sunday, the 28th ultimo, and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 5th instant.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 18th ultimo.

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The steamer *Kutsang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Tuesday, the 23rd ultimo.

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The "Ben Line" steamer *Benvenue*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this port on the 26th ultimo.

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HOMEWARD—26th Nov.—*Glawcus*, *Secotra*.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

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A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Malacca*, to-day, the 1st inst., at 9.30 A.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Manila*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Hoihow and Haiphong.—Per *Hongkong*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Toonan*, to-day, the 1st instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Manila.—Per *Sunghiang*, to-day, the 1st instant, 3.30 P.M.

For Bangkok.—Per *P. C. Klao*, to-morrow, the 2nd inst., at 9.30 A.M.

For Yokohama.—Per *Kachidate Maru*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 10.00 A.M.

For Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle.—Per *Kinshiu Maru*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 10.00 A.M.

For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per *Lightning*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 2.00 P.M.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Airlie*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Kobe.—Per *Hikosan Maru*, on Friday, the 3rd instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Rosetta*, on Friday, the 3rd instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Esmeralda*, on Friday, the 3rd instant, at 4.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Penang and Bombay.—Per *Bermuda*, on Friday, 3rd instant, at 4.30 P.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Thekla*, on Monday, the 6th instant, at 5.00 A.M.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet, *Ganges*, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 2nd inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

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10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.

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TUESDAY, 30th November.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.				FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION CO.			
Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.	Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.
OLYMPIA	2,608	J. Troubridge	Dec. 21	BRAEMAR	3,601	E. Porter	Dec. 14
COLUMBIA	2,605	A. Gow	Jan. 11	MOGUL	3,654	W. H. Wright	Jan. 4
TACOMA	2,519	A. Dixon	Feb. 1	PELICAN	2,338	A. Gove	Feb. 8
VICTORIA	3,167	J. Panton, R.N.R.	Feb. 22	BRAEMAR	3,601	E. Porter	March 8

THE attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

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Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash., for Goods forwarded via that port, and to the Freight Agent, Oregon Railroad and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon, for Goods Shipped by that route.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [2525

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
STRAITS & BOMBAY	KAISAR-I-HIND, S. Barcham	About 27th Nov.	Freight.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MALACCA, N. P. Pollock, R.N.R.	10 A.M., 1st Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	MANILA, R. S. Haddock, R.N.R.	4 P.M., 1st Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	GANGES, T. F. Creery	Noon, 2nd Dec.	See Special Advertisement.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	ROSETTA, F. N. Tillard	Noon, 3rd Dec.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1897 [1

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
* KINSHIU MARU, F. L. Sommer	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A., VIA KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 2nd December, at NOON.
YAMASHIRO MARU, J. Jones	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 20th December, at 4 P.M.
SANUKI MARU, W. Bainbridge	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA STRAITS (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	TUESDAY, 21st December, at 4 P.M.
YAMAGUCHI MARU, S. Kawamuro	KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 23rd December, at 4 P.M.
SAGAMI MARU, M. J. Carnow	SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO, SHIMONOSEKI & KOBE	FRIDAY, 24th December, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU, E. W. Haswell	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 24th December, at 4 P.M.

* Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [2503

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R. ....WEDNESDAY, 22nd Dec., 1897
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. ....WEDNESDAY, 19th Jan., 1898
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 16th Feb., 1898

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER in 13 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey (avoiding the rough passages generally experienced in the latitudes further South) and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder Street.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1897. [8

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG."

Captain Dodd, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st December.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [2705

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANTENOR."

Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st December.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1897. [2353

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING."

Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 2nd Dec., at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th November, 1897. [2717

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AIRLIE,"

Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 2nd December, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and *vice versâ*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1897. [2658

FOR NEW YORK.

THE S/S A. I. I. American Ship

"ABNER COBURN,"

Captain M. L. Park, is loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1897. [2176

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON	Manila	Brit. str.	Haddock, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Antenor	Brit. str.	Jackson	Butterfield & Swire	To-day.
LONDON VIA STRAITS, &c.	Ganges	Brit. str.	Creery	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
BREMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL	Bayern	Ger. str.	Prehn	Melchers & Co.	On 7th inst., at 9 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, &c.	Sanuki Maru	Jap. str.	Bainbridge	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON, ETC.	Melbourne	Fren. str.	Duchateau	Messageries Maritimes	On 8th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, V. SHANGHAI, &c.	Empress of Japan	Brit. str.	Lee, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
TACOMA, &c.	Olympia	Brit. str.	Trueblridge	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 21st inst., at Noon.
SEATTLE, W'INGTON, V. KOBE, &c.	Kinshiu Maru	Jap. str.	Sommer	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	To-morrow, at Noon.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA KOBE	Braemar	Brit. str.	Porter	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 14th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI	Belgic	Brit. str.		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 7th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA S'HAI, &c.	Peru	Amer. str.		P. M. S. S. Co.	On 16th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO	New York	Amer. ship.	Peabody	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
BALTIMORE	St. Katherine	Amer. bk.	McIntosh	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Cromarty	Brit. str.		Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Fernfield	Brit. str.		Shewan, Tomes & Co.	On or about 5th inst.
NEW YORK	Agenor	Amer. ship.	Shellens	Carlowitz & Co.	November.
NEW YORK	Drumcoltan	Brit. ship.	Smith	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Abner Coburn	Amer. ship.	Park	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Yamashiro Maru	Jap. str.	Jones	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 30th inst., at 4 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Yamaguchi Maru	Jap. str.	Kawamu ó	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
Y'HAMA VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	Rosetta	Brit. str.	Tillard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd inst., at Noon.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Malacca	Brit. str.	Pollock, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Saghalien	Fren. str.	Sellier	Messageries Maritimes	On or about 5th inst.
SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO, &c.	Sagami Maru	Jap. str.	Carnow	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI	Haikong	Brit. str.	Hall	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
MANILA	Sungkiang	Brit. str.	Dodd	Butterfield & Swire	To-day.
MANILA VIA AMOY	Esmeralda	Brit. str.	Taylor	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	On 3rd inst., at 5 P.M.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Airlie	Brit. str.	Ellis	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
T'DAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, &c.	Tokio Maru	Jap. str.	Haswell	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
S'PORE, HAVRE, & HAMBURG	Thekla	Ger. str.	Stehr	Siemssen & Co.	On 7th inst., Daylight.
STRAITS & BOMBAY	Bormida	Ita. str.	Noera	Carlowitz & Co.	On 3rd inst., at 5 P.M.
STRAITS & BOMBAY	Kaisar-i-Hind	Brit. str.	Barcham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Lightning	Brit. str.	Spence	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

S.S. "CROMARTY" sailed about 30th Nov., 1897.
S.S. "SIKH" do. 17th Dec., 1897.
S.S. "P. ADELAIDE" do. 25th Dec., 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1897. [1653-2404-2670

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American ship

"AGENOR,"

M. Shellens, Master, loads here for the above port and will be despatched in November.

The British Iron 4-Mast Barque

"DRUMELTAN,"

Smith, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.
Hongkong, 11th October, 1897. [2335

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
(Florio and Rubattino United Companies).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY,
having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.
Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA, and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"BORMIDA,"

Captain Noera, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 3rd inst., at 5 P.M.
At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.
For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [6

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"FERNFIELD,"

will be despatched as above on or about the 5th December.
To be followed by the
S.S. "YARROWDALE" on or about the 15th December.
S.S. "HANSEAT" on or about the 10th January, 1898.
S.S. "LYDERHORN" on or about the 25th January, 1898.
S.S. "ORWELL" on or about the 15th February, 1898.
For Freight, &c., apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th November, 1897. [2726

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

BELGIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, Dec. 7, 1897, at NOON.
COPTIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Dec. 28, 1897, at NOON.
GAELIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Jan. 15, 1898, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA on TUESDAY, the 7th December, 1897, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1897. [4

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"GANGES,"

Captain T. F. Creery, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY on THURSDAY, the 2nd DECEMBER, at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. "CALEDONIA" leaving that Port on the 25th December for London direct.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1897. [1

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SAGHALIEN,"

Captain Sellier, will be despatched for the above ports on or about SUNDAY, the 5th December.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [2

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

PERU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Dec. 16, 1897, at NOON.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	THURSDAY, Jan. 6, 1898, at NOON.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "PERU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 16th Dec., 1897, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1897. [3

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A.I. American Ship

"NEW YORK,"

Peabody, Master, load for the above port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Hongkong, 26th October, 1897. [2448

FOR BALTIMORE.

THE American Bark

"ST. KATHERINE"

McIntosh, Master, shortly expected here from Shanghai, will load for the above port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Hongkong, 4th November, 1897. [2540

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG.
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

BAYERN	Tuesday	7th Dec.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	4th Jan.
PREUSSEN	Tuesday	1st Feb.
SACHSEN	Tuesday	1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 7th day of December, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "BAYERN," Captain E. Prohm, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 4th December, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 6th December, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 6th December. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents
Hongkong, 12th November, 1897. [7

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS,
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 8th December, at NOON, the Company's Steamship "MELBOURNE," Captain Duchateau, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S.S. "VILLE DE LA CIOTAT," which vessel takes on her passengers and mails, leaving that port on the 19th December, direct to Suez, Port Said, and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 7th December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 25th November, 1897. [2

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1897. [1

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